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FAMILY INVESTMENT, CHILD WELFARE AND ADULT SERVICES
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PURCHASE OF CHILDCARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS**

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**RE: APPLICATION FOR THE MARYLAND ENERGY ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM (MEAP) AND THE ELECTRIC UNIVERSAL SERVICE
PROGRAM (EUSP)**

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: MEAP AND EUSP

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OHEP STATE OFFICE

On July 1, 2005 the Maryland Office of Home Energy Programs (MD OHEP) began its new program year. Eligible families across Maryland may now apply for energy related programs and services.

MEAP provides heating assistance grants to fuel suppliers and utility companies on behalf of eligible applicants. EUSP provides assistance with electric bills. The EUSP, in some instances, will also assist a household in paying some past due electric bills. In certain instances both MEAP and EUSP can assist customers in weatherizing their home (e.g., insulation, furnace repair, window replacement, etc.). Weatherization of homes is now completed via an inter-agency agreement with the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

The OHEP state office wishes to strongly encourage our partners within the local departments and other community agencies across the state to refer their customers to the local OHEP office. For your convenience, a list of the local OHEP office telephone numbers is attached. As an additional reference for your use, the 'Income Eligibility Standards' for fiscal year 2006 is likewise attached. Applications, brochures and posters are available from the OHEP State Office or local offices. The OHEP web site includes additional program information. The address is www.dhr.state.md.us/meap

The OHEP state office strongly encourages customer referrals to our local offices. MEAP and EUSP are both valuable programs that can greatly assist Maryland's most vulnerable populations in maintaining their independence and self-sufficiency.

The OHEP state office is always available to answer any policy or procedural questions that may arise and can be reached by calling 1 (800) 352-1446.

cc: DHR Expanded Executive Staff
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OHEP Mailing List (All Energy Partners)

LOCAL OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS (OHEP) TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Allegany County....301.777.8550
Anne Arundel County....410.626.1910
Baltimore City....410.396.5555
Baltimore County....410.853.3385
Calvert County....410.535.1010
Caroline County....410.819.4500
Carroll County....410.857.2999
Cecil County....410.996.0270
Charles County....301.274.4474
Dorchester County....410.901.4100
Frederick County....301.694.2410
Garrett County....301.334.9431
Harford County....410.638.3240
Howard County....410.313.6440
Kent County....410.810.7716
Montgomery County....240.777.4450
Prince George's County....301.909.6300
Queen Anne's County....410.758.8000
Shore Up! Inc.
(Covers Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties)....410.749.1142
St. Mary's County....301.475.5574
Talbot County....410.822.5015
Washington County....301.797.4161

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS

Income Eligibility Limits
Effective July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006

Household Size	Maximum Monthly Income Standards	Maximum Yearly Income Standards
1	\$1,196	\$14,355
2	\$1,604	\$19,245
3	\$2,011	\$24,135
4	\$2,419	\$29,025
5	\$2,826	\$33,915
6	\$3,234	\$38,805
For each additional person, add	\$408	\$4,890